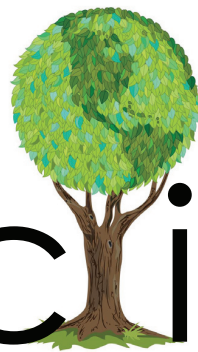


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# Connecticut

A Public Health Initiative to Reduce the Use of Toxic Cleaning Products in Eastern Connecticut

**Friday, October 24, 2008 · 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Mohegan Sun Convention Center**

Uncas Ballroom · 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard · Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

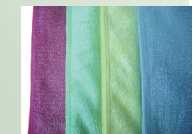
## Cleaning for Your Health

The health risks associated with toxic chemicals in common cleaning products have created an ongoing dialogue with the public health community for the past decade. The need to protect custodial workers, children, and building occupants from exposure to cleaning chemicals has led to a new movement called "Green Cleaning" or "Environmentally Preferable Cleaning." Public health and environmental professionals have been on the front lines responding to questions about green cleaning from the public, building facility directors, towns, hospitals, and schools. Attend our conference to learn about safer alternatives to cleaning products and best practices.

This conference will educate you about emerging issues and challenges in transitioning from traditional to less-toxic cleaning products. Participants will interact with session leaders to develop action plans for implementing green cleaning systems in their buildings. Although this conference is designed for public health professionals, nurses, local health departments, school facility directors, custodians, environmental advocates, and municipal leaders, everyone will benefit from the information.

This conference will show you how to:

- ✓ Better understand what is "green"
- ✓ Select safer and healthier cleaning products
- ✓ Implement best practices for cleaning
- ✓ Review product labels and find resources
- ✓ Implement green cleaning systems in hospitals, schools, and for your city and town



**Deirdre Imus** is the founder and president of the Deirdre Imus Environmental Center for Pediatric Oncology at Hackensack University Medical Center and cofounder and codirector of the Imus Cattle Ranch for Kids with Cancer. Mrs. Imus is the author of the newest book in the *Green This!* Series, *Growing Up Green, Baby and Child Care*. This *New York Times* best seller is a practical family guide to raising children in an ever increasing toxic world; and the 2007 *New York Times* best seller, *Green This! Volume 1: Greening Your Cleaning*, offers a wealth of insights and expertise for protecting families from harmful chemicals.

## DIRECTIONS to MOHEGAN SUN

<http://mohegansun.com/getting-here/index.html>

### From Southwest Connecticut

Follow I-95 through New York and into Connecticut. Stay Left on I-395 North towards Plainfield/Norwich. Exit 79A off I-395 in Uncasville, CT, onto CT-2A East toward Ledyard/Preston. Then take Exit 2/Mohegan Sun Boulevard in Uncasville, CT.

### From Hartford Area

Take I-84 East to Route 2 East to I-395 South. Exit 79A off I-395 in Uncasville, CT, onto CT-2A East toward Ledyard/Preston. Then take Exit 2/Mohegan Sun Boulevard in Uncasville, CT.

### From Eastern Connecticut

Take I-95 South to Exit 84N/Route 32. Follow Route 32 North to I-395. Exit 79A off I-395 in Uncasville, CT, onto CT-2A East toward Ledyard/Preston. Then take Exit 2/Mohegan Sun Boulevard in Uncasville, CT.

## PARKING

**Please utilize the Riverview Garage.**

**This is the easiest access entrance to the Convention Center.**

When you walk through the Riverview entrance, look up and follow the signs to the Convention Center. You will be going to the right. The entrance to the Convention Center is right next to the Sol Toro Restaurant.

*This is a fragrance free event.*

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## Agenda

**8:30 Registration/Breakfast**

**9:00 Introduction**

*Patricia Beckenhaupt, RN, MS, MPH*  
Northeast District Department of Health

**9:15 Keynote address: Deirdre Imus**

This presentation will offer a wealth of insights and expertise for protecting family from harmful chemicals.

**9:55 Break**

**10:10 Workshops** (please choose one)

**1. Going Green in the North Bronx Health Care Network**

This workshop will show you how to effectively transform the use of cleaning chemicals in a health care setting without compromising patient safety/care or worker health.

**Peter Lucey**, Jacobi Medical Center, Environmental Service Department

**2. Cleaning for Health in Schools**

This workshop will provide you with the resources and contacts to begin a cleaning for health program in your school district.

**Carol Westinghouse**, INFORM, Inc.

**Kenny Foscue**, CT Department of Public Health

**John Rhodes** and **Glen Fergione**, CT Regional School District 18

**3. Your Municipality Can Go Green**

Leaders from the Coalition for a Safe and Healthy CT will help you learn to engage your town leaders on the issue, pass a resolution in your town, and promote safer alternatives to chemicals of concern within your community.

**Sarah Uhl**, Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Connecticut

**Annamarie Beaulieu**, MPH, Connecticut Public Health Association

**11:30 A Green Home is a Healthy Home**

This presentation will share with you how our state government is helping the public go green in their homes by developing partnerships with local agencies and organizations.

**Judy Prill** and **Mary Sherwin**, CT Department of Environmental Protection



## Co-Sponsors

- Northeast District Department of Health
- Mohegan Tribal Health Department
- Ledge Light Health District
- Eastern Highlands Health District
- Uncas Health District
- The Deirdre Imus Environmental Center for Pediatric Oncology
- INFORM, Inc.
- University of Connecticut Health Center, Center for Indoor Environments and Health
- Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Connecticut
- CT Department of Environmental Protection
- CT Department of Public Health
- CT Association of Directors of Health (CADH)
- CT Nurses Association
- Seventh Generation
- Modern Mermaids
- TerraCycle

This conference does not endorse any specific cleaning products.

**Register early!**

## Registration Form

Registration Deadline: October 10, 2008

Fee: (includes breakfast)  
Regular \$20  
Students/Unemployed/Low income \$10

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization or Union: \_\_\_\_\_

Workshop Attending: (indicate workshop #)

First choice \_\_\_\_\_ Second Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Send your registration and payment to:  
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